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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 16 July 1956

25X1 PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory,

Col. White, [redacted]

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Mr. [redacted]

Mr. Dulles:

a. Noted the Vice President, at the NSC meeting on 12 July, reported on his recent trip to the Far East and in particular had raised: 1) strengthening the authority of the Ambassador to insure coordination of all U.S. programs in each country; 2) consolidating, wherever feasible, the separate U.S. programs being conducted in each country; 3) insuring the number of U.S. official personnel in each country is reduced to the minimum required to implement essential programs. The Director said with regard to point 3, the Vice President specifically mentioned ICA and to some degree MAAG Missions and did not refer to CIA.

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25X1 c. Referred to Nehru's statement as quoted in today's New York Times regarding colonialism and the satellite countries [redacted]

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25X1 e. Referred to a cable [redacted] and asked Mr. Wisner to let him know whether he (DCI) should do anything about the information contained therein. ~~S-7~~

f. Asked DD/S to prepare for his approval a memorandum to be sent all employees respecting violations of the Hatch Clean Politics Act in the general election campaign. The Director stated that the memo should also include a statement that while he and the Deputy Director were Presidential appointees and might be considered as excluded from the provisions of the Hatch Act, both he and General Cabell intended to abide by it.

g. Referred to a survey contained in the New York Herald Tribune of Sunday, 15 July, respecting how the Europeans feel about the US and asked DD/P to bring this survey to the attention of [redacted] his people.

25X1 h. Noted that DD/P would be interested in the following State cables: [redacted]

25X1 i. Noted a cable [redacted] requesting permission to return to headquarters for consultation and asked Mr. Helms to determine whether this trip is absolutely necessary.

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25X1 k. Noted he had received a call [redacted] who said his son had been lost in Afghanistan for over two months. The Director said he had made it clear [redacted] there is nothing CIA could do about this, however DD/P was asked to have NEA check with the Afghan Desk at State to see if they 25X1 have any information on young [redacted]

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25X1 1. Noted he had been advised [] he intends
 25X1 to do a piece on Khrushchev and asked [] if we had any
 25X1 unclassified information we might make available []
 Mr. Wisner said he thought we did, and undertook to assemble
 a folder which is to be sent the Director for release.

m. Referred to a DD/I bi-weekly publication, Sino-Soviet Bloc Economic Activities in Underdeveloped Countries, and noted he always read it with interest and asked Mr. Amory to pass this along to the people who work on it. The Director commented he assumed DD/P is making available items of interest which should be included in this publication.

25X1 n. Noted a memorandum he had received [] based on a conversation recently held with an Afghan and which indicated that this country is about to "go to hell in a hack" unless immediate action is taken by the US and said that the recommendations to implement such action were far reaching and should be passed on by the policy makers. The Director asked Mr. Wisner to have another look at this memo and passed it to Mr. Amory for comment. Note: Subsequent to the meeting [] and said at Mr. Helms' request he was arranging to have [] see the Director to discuss the information contained in the above-mentioned memo.

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25X1 o. Referred to [] respecting the Syrian Oil Refinery and noted he did not see much use in showing this message to the Secretary of State until after it had been staffed out. Mr. Wisner said it had been passed to the Committee and he assumed such action would be forthcoming. The Director commented that the contents of the cable in question would be a good item to include in the CIA publication, Sino-Soviet Bloc Economic Activities in Underdeveloped Countries.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Stated he had read a recent article in the New York Times reporting that the Pakistanis were recommending the establishment of a food bank for Southeast Asia and noted that CIA had discussed this idea some time ago. The Director asked DD/P to include his ideas in a memorandum and he would take it up at an OCB meeting.

25X1 b. Reported that Under Secretary of State Hoover had approved [] trip discussed at the Deputies' Meetings on 9 and 13 July.

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25X1 c. Asked the Director if any decision had been made [] The Director said he had talked to this man and that he is actually seeking career employment on the

covert side of the house. He also noted that Security is checking him out, however, no final decision has been made.

Mr. Amory:

Referred to Assistant Secretary of the Interior Felix E. Wormser's request that CIA physically assume responsibility for the Board of Geographic Names and noted that as a result of several problems which this request raises, a staff study had been prepared in which he had concurred and forwarded to DD/S for comment.

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